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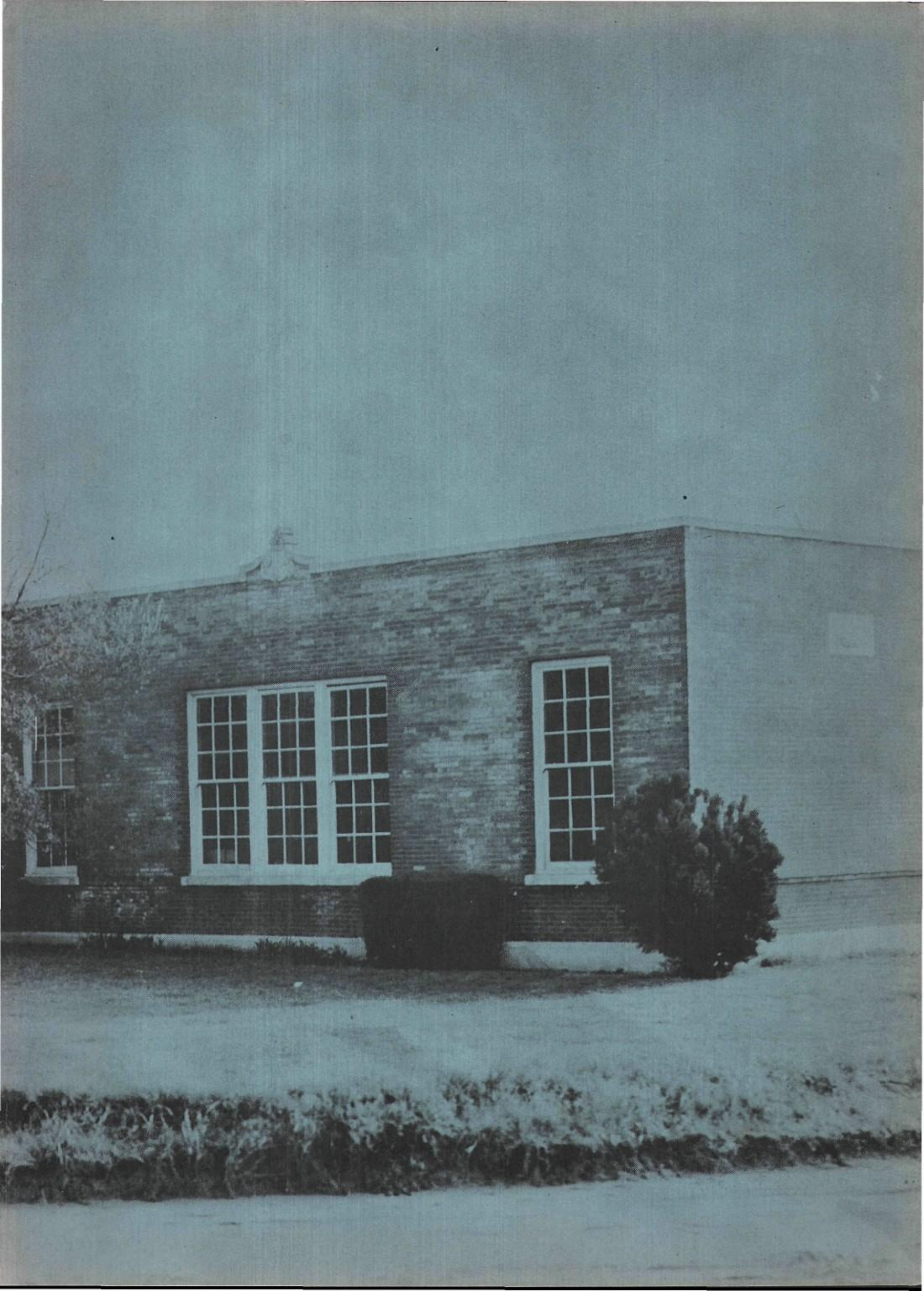
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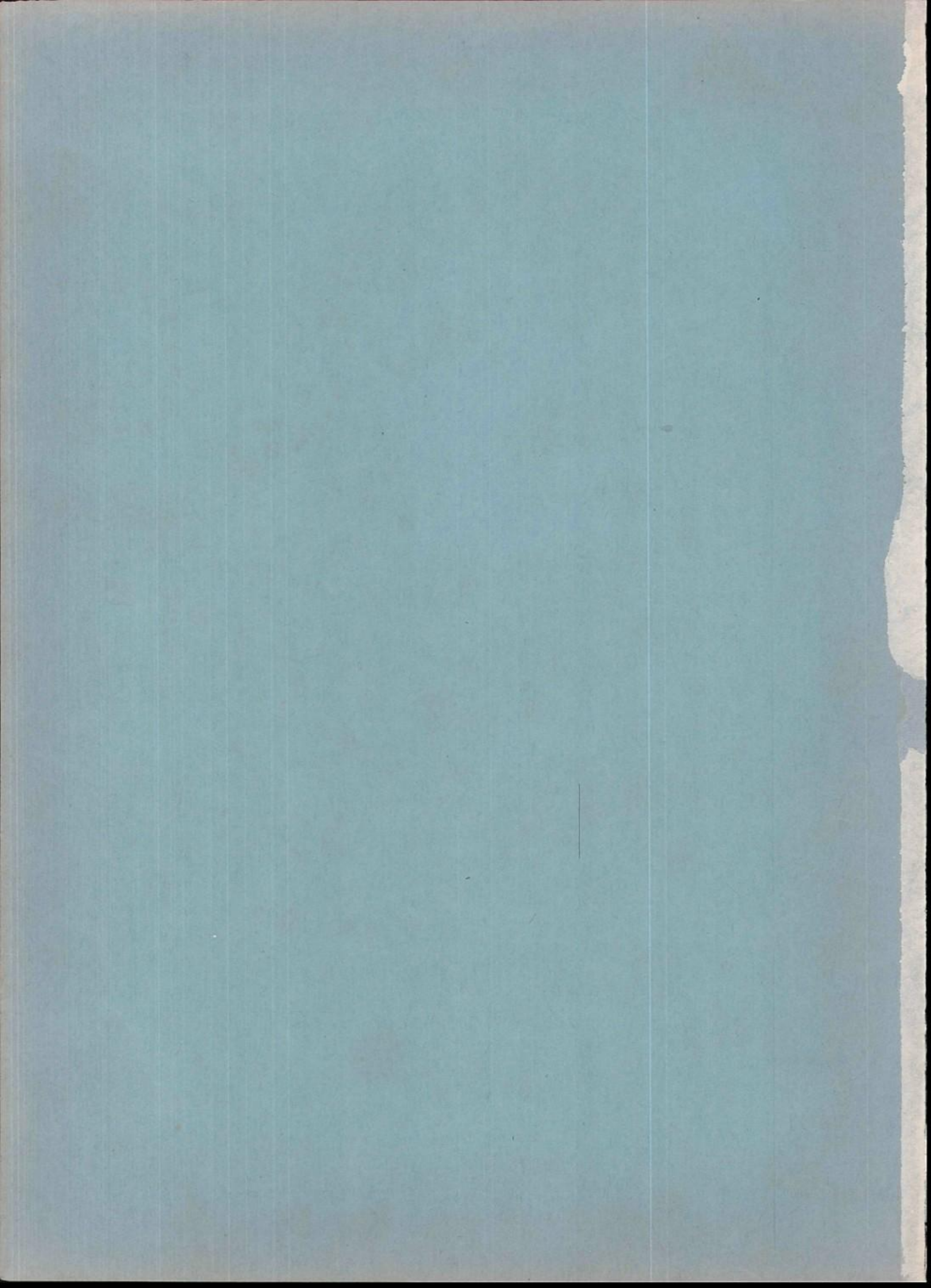






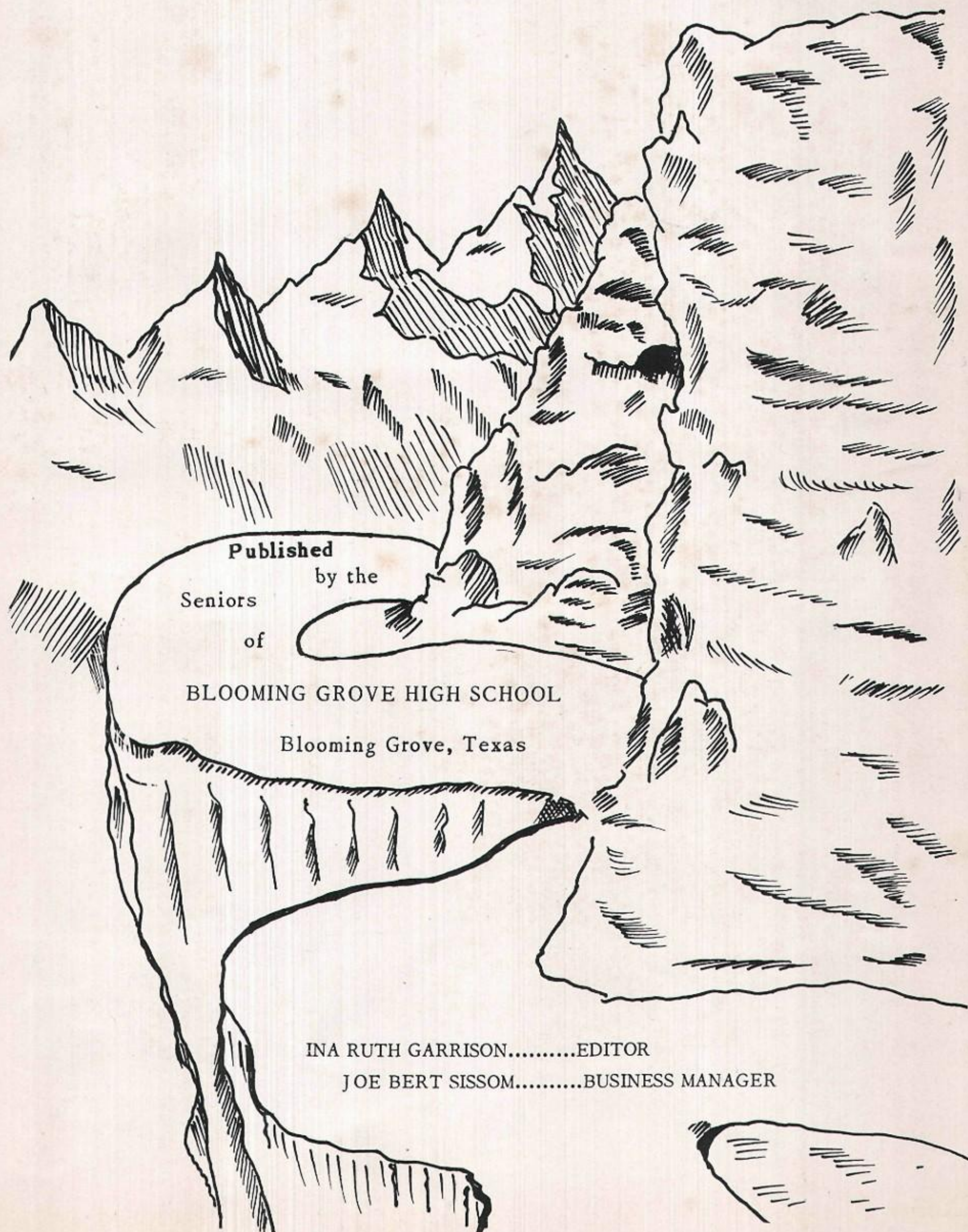








# THE '49 MONARCH



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JOE BERT SISSOM.....BUSINESS MANAGER



# Blooming Grove Public Schools

J. T. BLACK, SUPT.

BLOOMING GROVE, TEXAS

Spring '49

Dear Classmates,

Every year when the seniors fall heir to the task of publishing a yearbook, one of the hardest choices that they must make is that of selecting the right motif to be used. This year we think that we have chosen the perfect one---the '49ers.

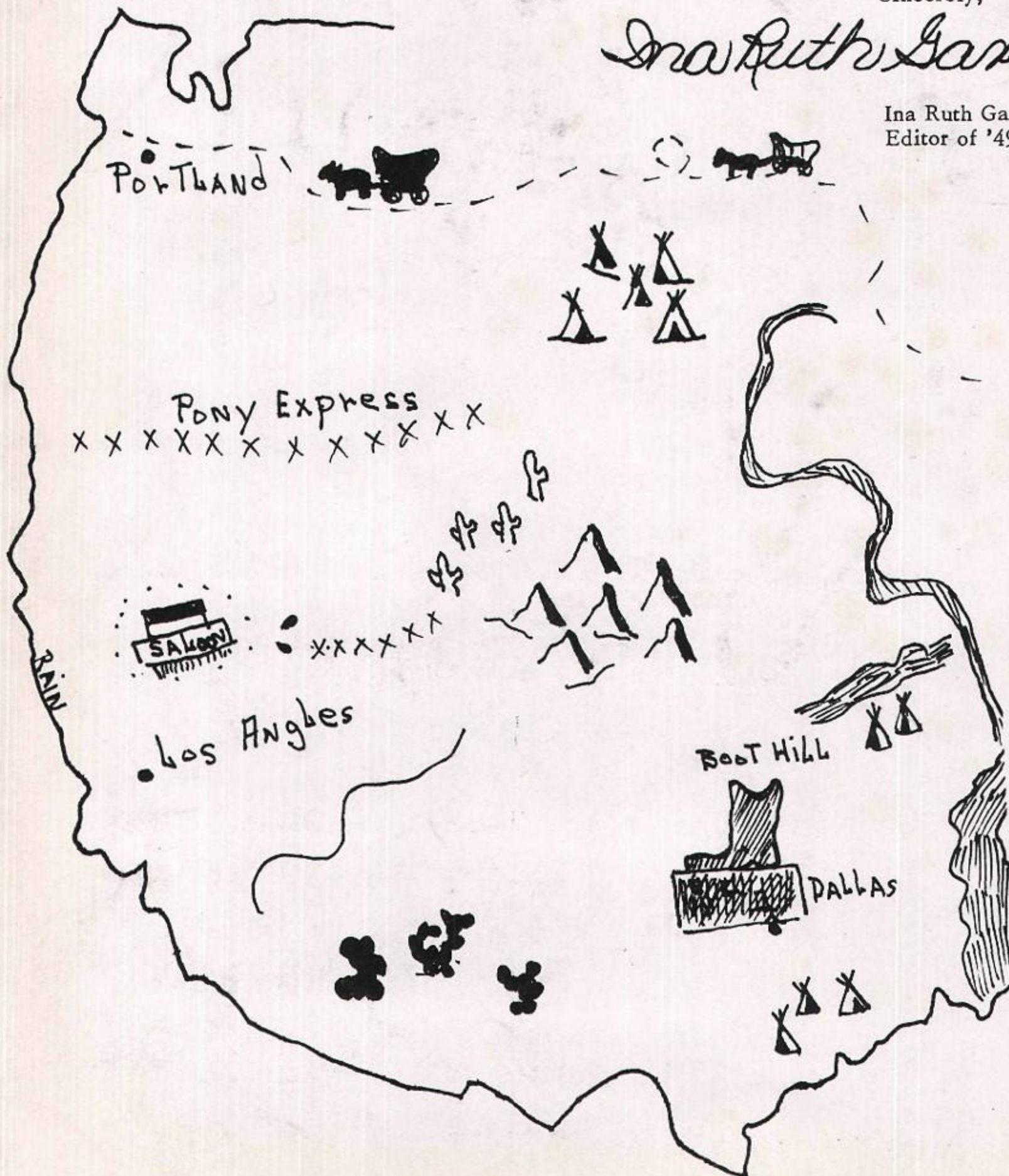
It is our hope in publishing this yearbook that you may be able to look back and recall the happy experiences shared in '49 just as, in looking back at the other '49ers, you recall the experiences they shared on their trek to California.

Just as the 1849ers were seeking gold to make themselves rich so we are hoping that the choice experiences that we have presented here will prove to be some of the shining gold nuggets of your lives.

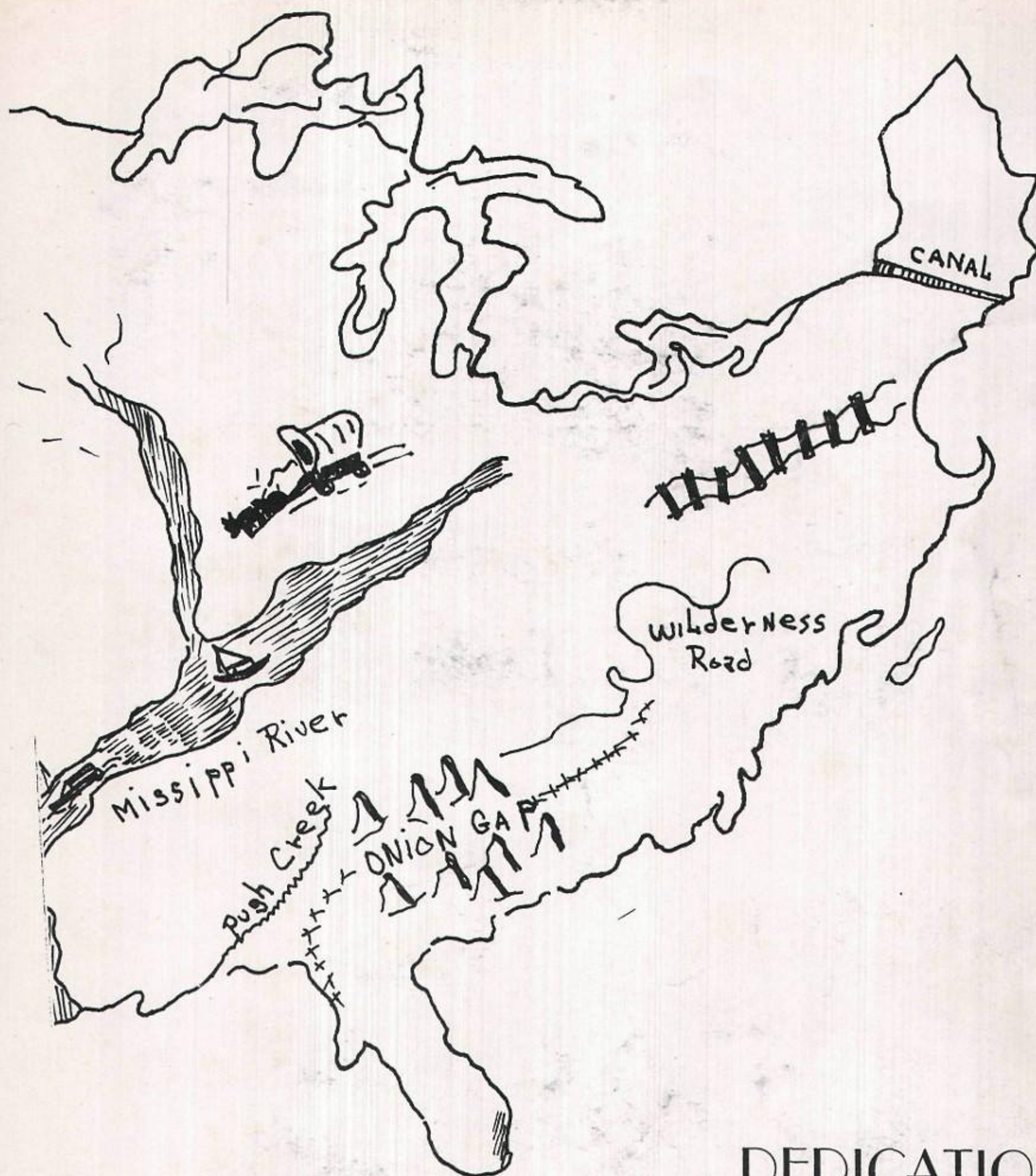
Sincerely,

*Ina Ruth Garrison*

Ina Ruth Garrison  
Editor of '49 Monarch







## DEDICATION

To the friends and patrons of Blooming Grove Public School who have unselfishly given their time, money, and effort so that our school might have the much needed improvements of good roads, new bleachers, and a well-lighted football field, we lovingly and gratefully dedicate this MONARCH of '49.





# ( "BOSS OF THE WAGON TRAIN" )

JOHN T. BLACK

*Blooming Grove Public Schools*

J. T. BLACK, SUPT.

BLOOMING GROVE, TEXAS

To The Students  
Blooming Grove Public School  
Blooming Grove, Texas

This year the students of Blooming Grove have a great challenge. We must go forward. We must strengthen our efforts if we raise our standards of efficiency.

The students of last year brought honor to our school. Our representatives placed first in District, Area, and even State contests. We have former students who are on the honor rolls of higher educational institutions. We must not expect less of the present group.

The citizens of Blooming Grove have been very loyal in making physical improvements. The lights on Lion's Field and the paved streets are outstanding examples. Blooming Grove is expecting progress. We must not disappoint them.

Sincerely,

*J. T. Black*

J. T. Black  
Superintendent Blooming Grove School





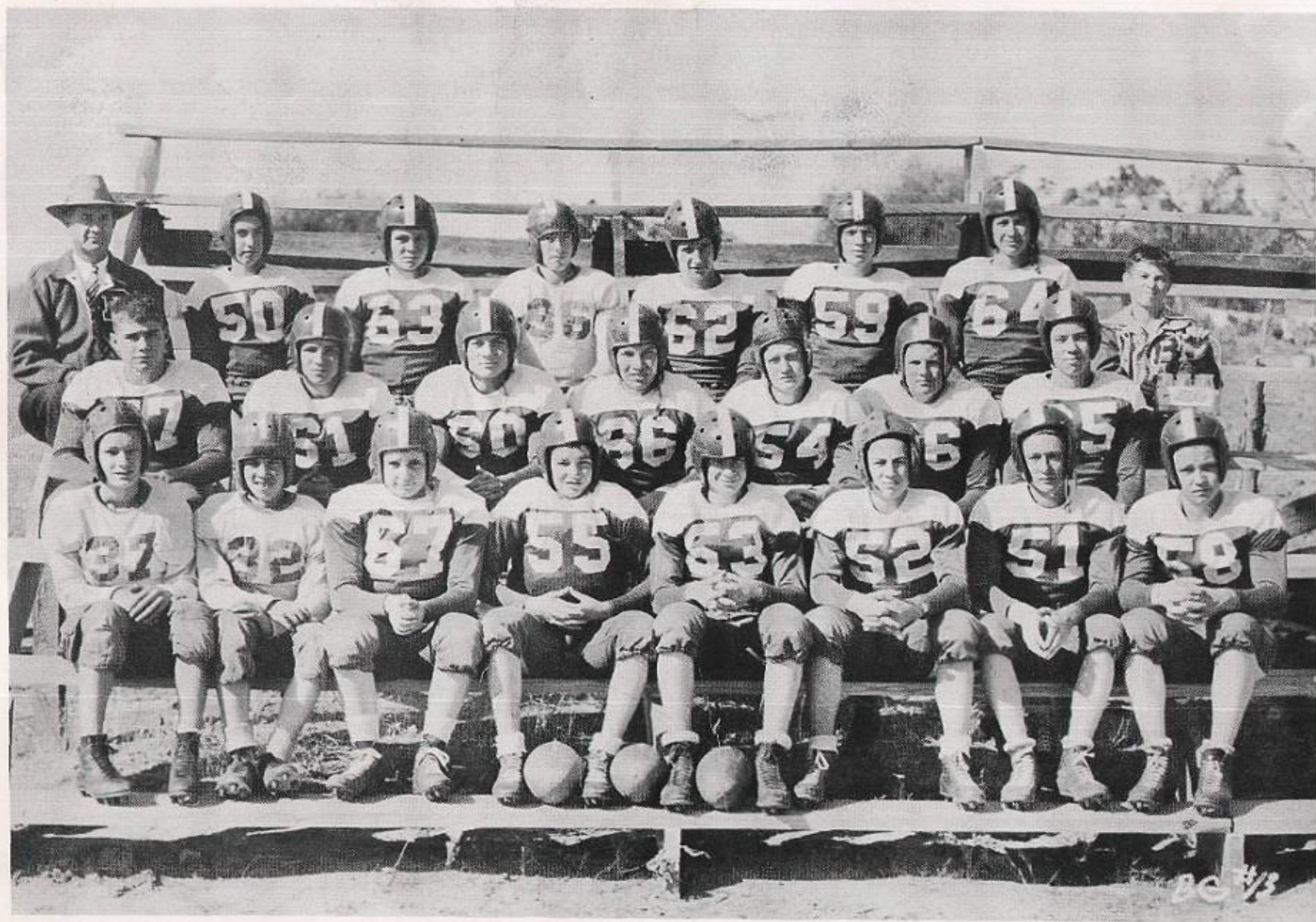


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End

TOMMIE JORDAN  
Quarter Back  
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TRUMAN RHODES  
Left Half  
Co-Captain

ALAN McCORMICK  
Right End

JOE DEAN HILL  
Right Guard



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Right Half

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Left End



TED SPENCER  
Right End



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Right Tackle



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Manager



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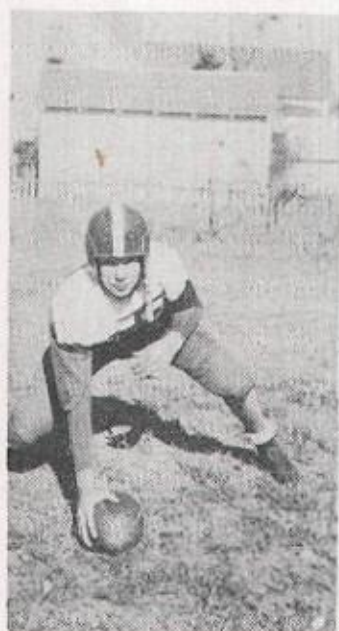
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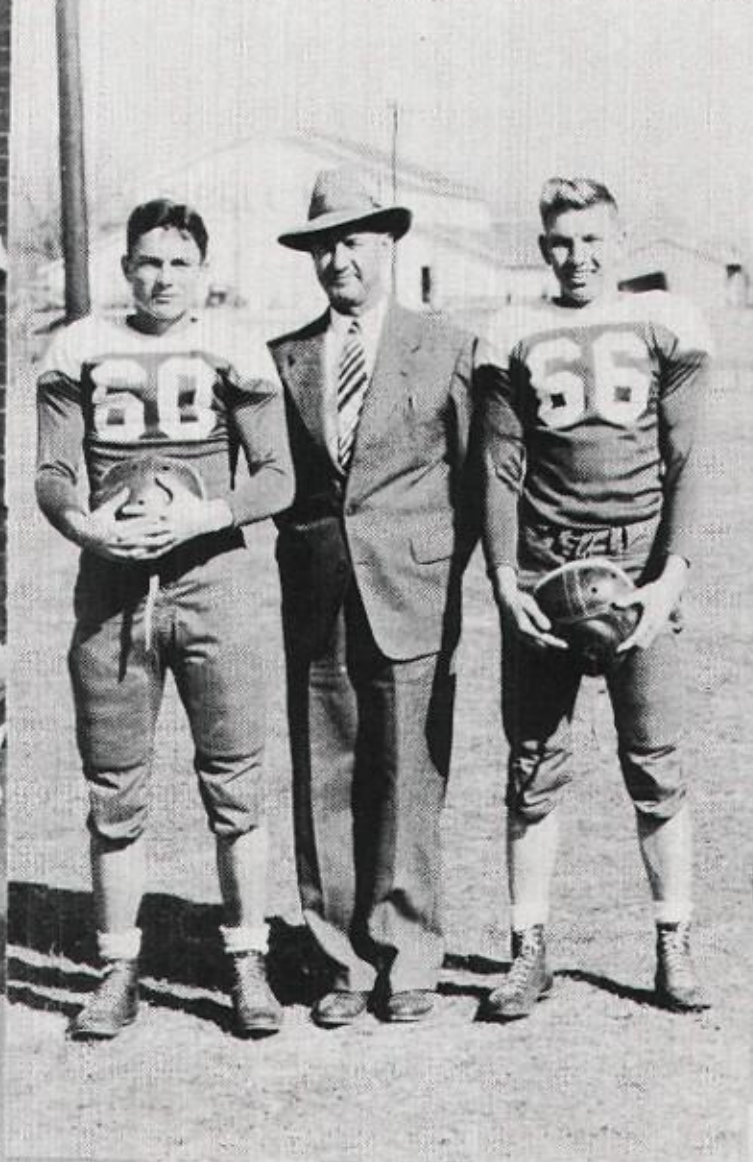




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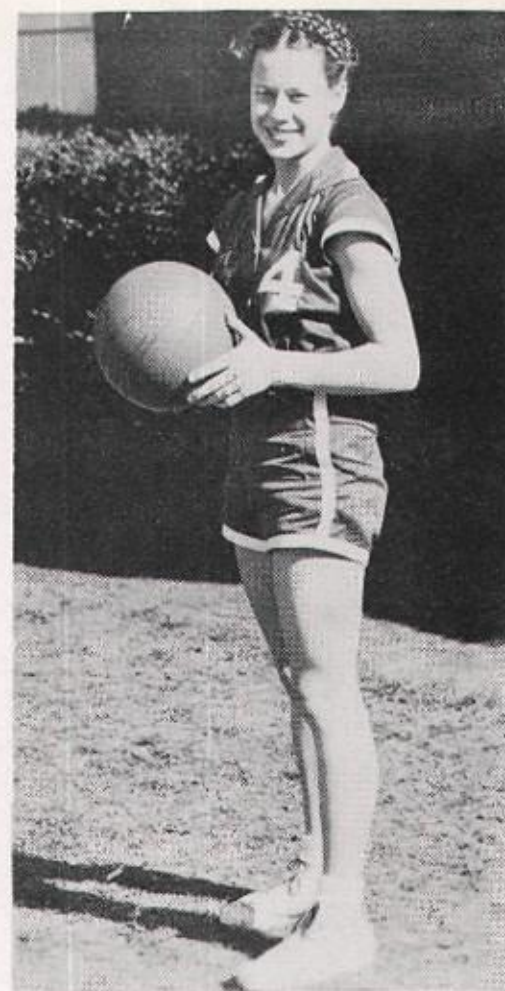
# BASKETBALL



CO-CAPTAIN  
Dorothy Hiler



COACH  
B. Price



CO-CAPTAIN  
Adrelyn Westbrook  
All-District



Top row: Coach B. Price, Thomas, Kitchen, Tipping, Smith, W. Rhodes, Ellis,  
G. Rhodes, McGraw, Corbin  
Bottom row: Melton, McCormick, Westbrook, Hiler, Sheppard, Garrison, Walker,  
Farish.



# BASKETBALL



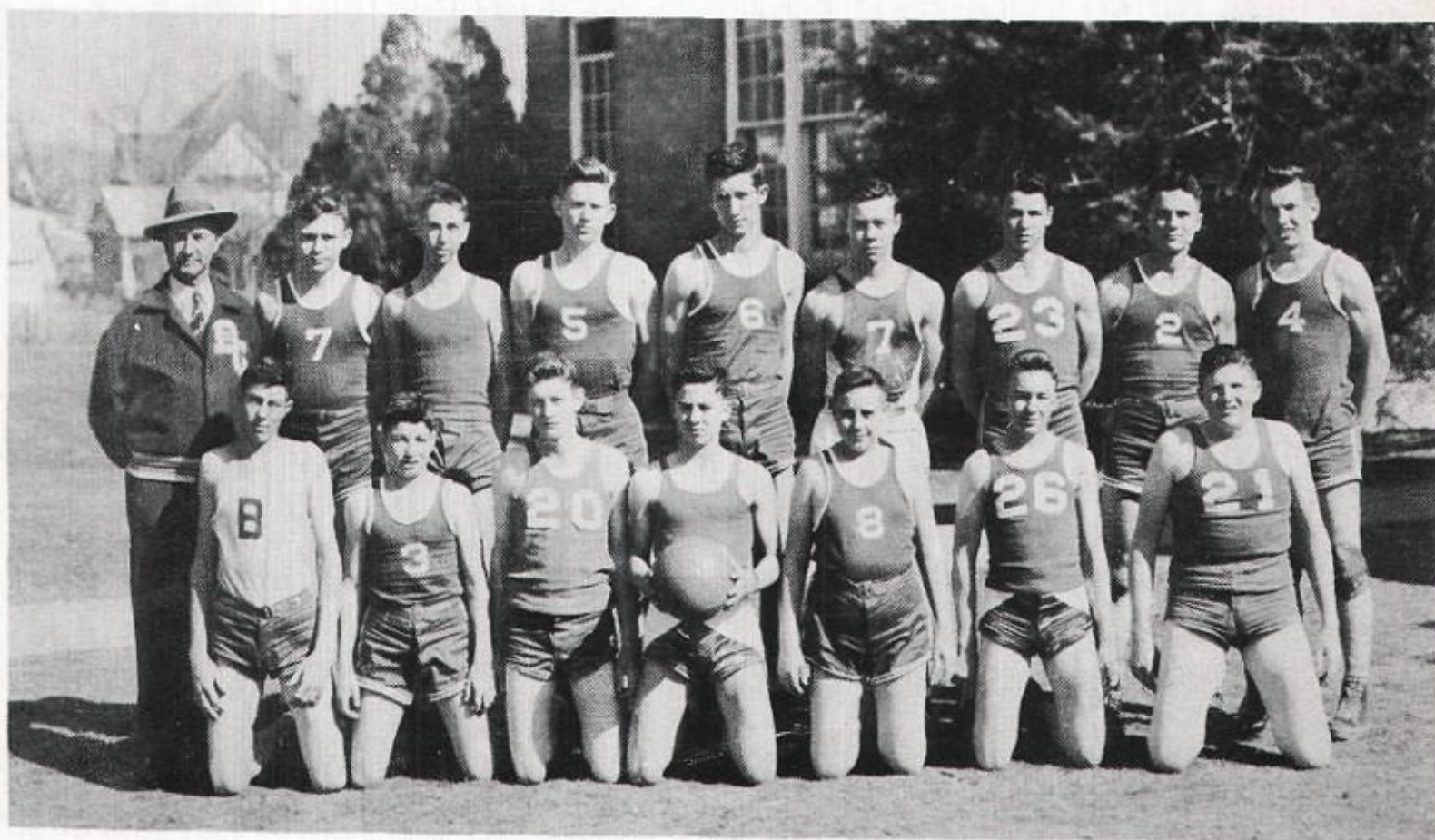
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COACH  
C. M. Darnell

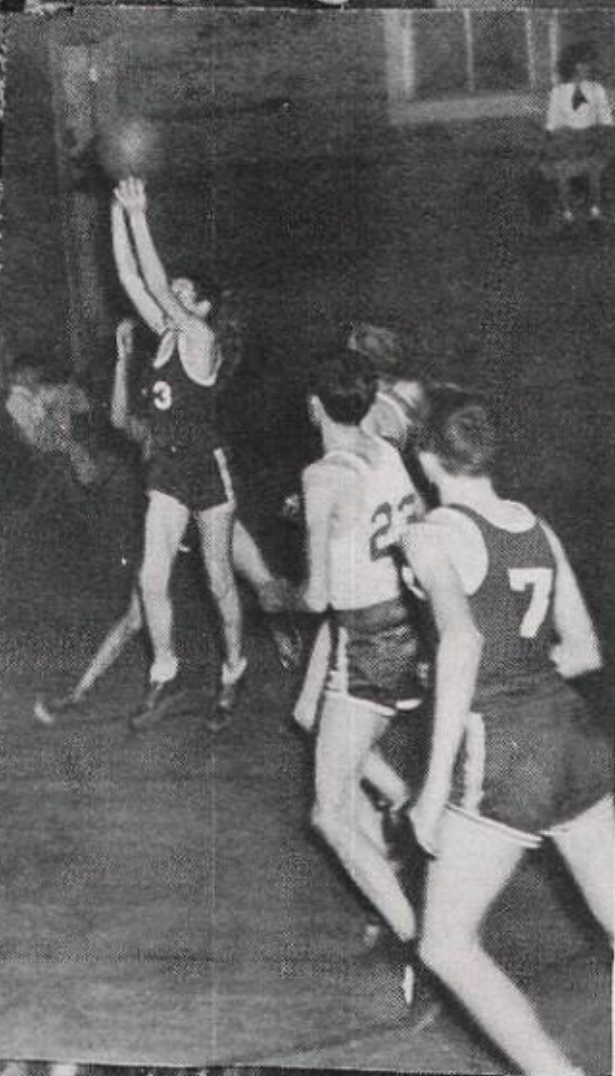
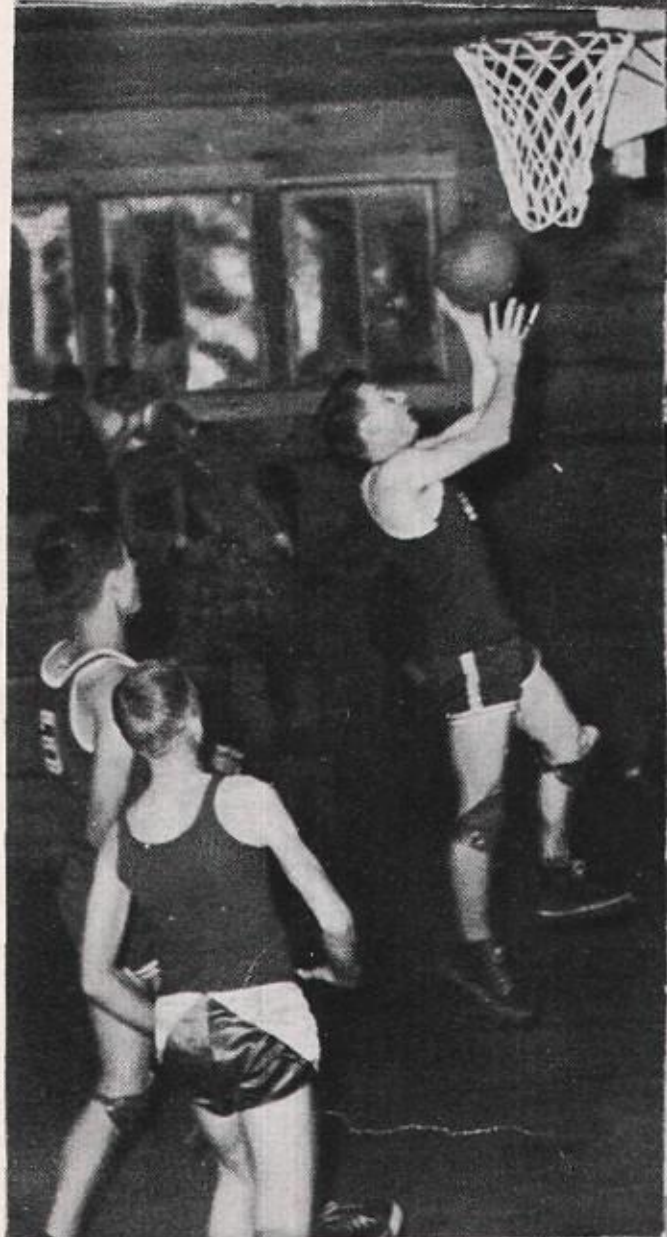


CO-CAPTAIN  
Alan McCormick

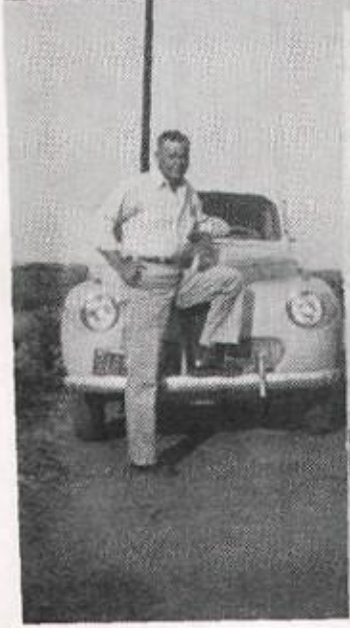


Top row: Coach Darnell, Sissom, Spencer, McCormick, Richards, Hill, McGraw,  
T. Rhodes, Jordan  
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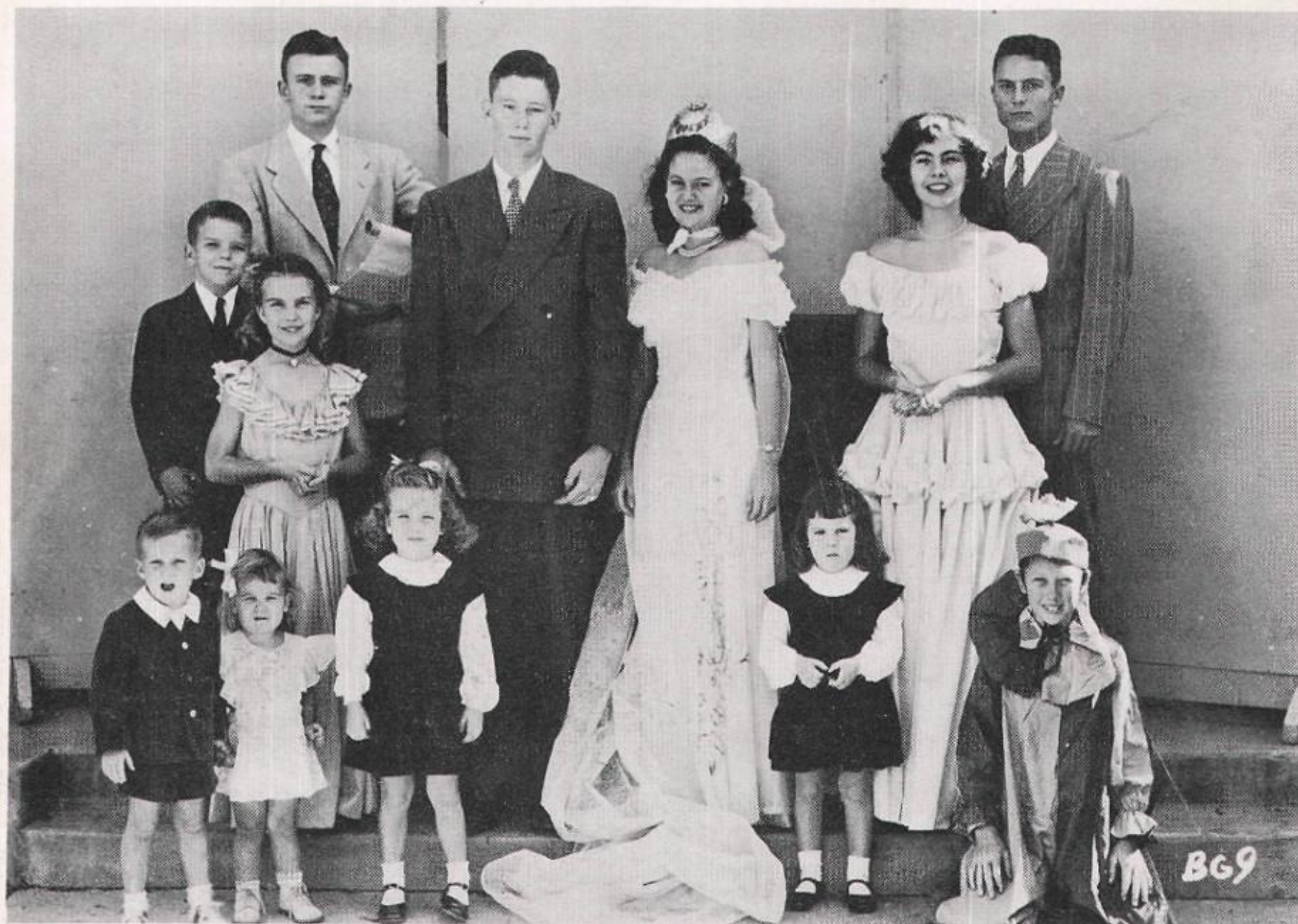












## Our School Queen And Her Court

Her Majesty the Queen.....FRANCES THOMAS  
The King.....ALAN McCORMICK

The Princess.....JUDITH GILLEN  
The Prince.....JOHN REID  
The Princess.....ARTALISSA ORME  
The Prince.....TRUMAN RHODES  
The Train Bearers.....SHARON and CHARLOTTE FELDER  
The Flower Girl.....JOHANNA BARNABEE  
The Crown Bearer.....MARCUS WILLIAMS  
The Jester.....EDDIE MAHONE  
The Page.....JOE BERT SISSOM





# THE MONARCH

## STAFF



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Ina Ruth Garrison



Business Manager  
Joe Bert Sissom



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Staff Artist: Ted Spencer





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 Historian.....ADA PHILLIPS  
 Song Leader.....BABE WESTBROOK  
 Pianist.....ARTALISSA ORME





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 Reporter.....BRUCE LANE  
 Parliamentarian.....ELLIS ARMSTRONG  
 Watchdog.....WAYNE EARL RICHARDS  
 Song Leader.....DWAYNE WALKER  
 Sweetheart.....DOROTHY HILER







# ONE ACT PLAY

"GRANDMA PULLS THE STRING"

Cast

Grandma Blessington, Conveniently deaf.....INA RUTH GARRISON  
 Mrs. Cummings, Her daughter.....ARTALISSA ORME  
 Hildegard Cummings, The romantic little sister.....ADRELYN WESTBROOK  
 Julia Cummings, One loved of Bill.....JAMIE CORBIN  
 Nona Cummings Beaver, The big sister.....WANDA JEAN SHEPPARD  
 William Thornton, The lover.....JOE BERT SISSOM  
 Stage Managers.....TED SPENCER and BILLIE SEWELL  
 Director.....MRS. G. E. RAMSEY, SR.





## SENIOR PLAY

"AUNT ABBY ANSWERS AN AD"

### Cast

Abby Ainsley, A dyed-in-the-wool old maid.....	INA RUTH GARRISON
Lucindy Lovejoy, Her maid-of-all-work.....	INEZ GARRISON
Horace Harter, Her unwelcome suitor.....	ALAN McCORMICK
Anna Ainsley, Her niece from the city.....	WILLIE WOODLAND
Lillian Lorraine, Anna's girl-chum.....	BETTY ANN FARISH
Billy Barberton, Engaged to Lillian.....	BILLY SEWELL
Bobby Barrington, Anna's boy-friend.....	JOE BERT SISSOM
Mrs. Purviance, A trouist.....	ADA LOUISE PHILLIPS
Horace Harkwell, A lonely widower.....	WILLIAM LYNCH
Essie Ebbersole, A tattle-tale.....	BETTY CAMPBELL
Director.....	MRS. G. E. RAMSEY, SR.





# NEWS REPORTERS

Editor--Artalissa Orme; Assistant Editor--Robbie Nell Crawford; Reporters--McSpadden, Bolch, McCormick, Carroll, Spencer, Campbell; Sponsor--Miss Campbell

Darnell, Crawford, Walker, Thomas, Garrison, Smith, Holditch, Tipping, Thomas, Campbell, Westbrook



# BOOK FINDERS



# SCHOOL BOARD



A. J. Crocker--W. A. Crawford, secretary--A. R. Sissom, president--C. P. Lynch--  
J. D. Gillen--A. D. Garrison--T. G. Sheppard

# LUNCH ROOM HELPERS

Mesdames N. F. Flovin--Lula Tipping--C. R. Spencer--A. R. Freeman  
Doris Eddleman (absent)











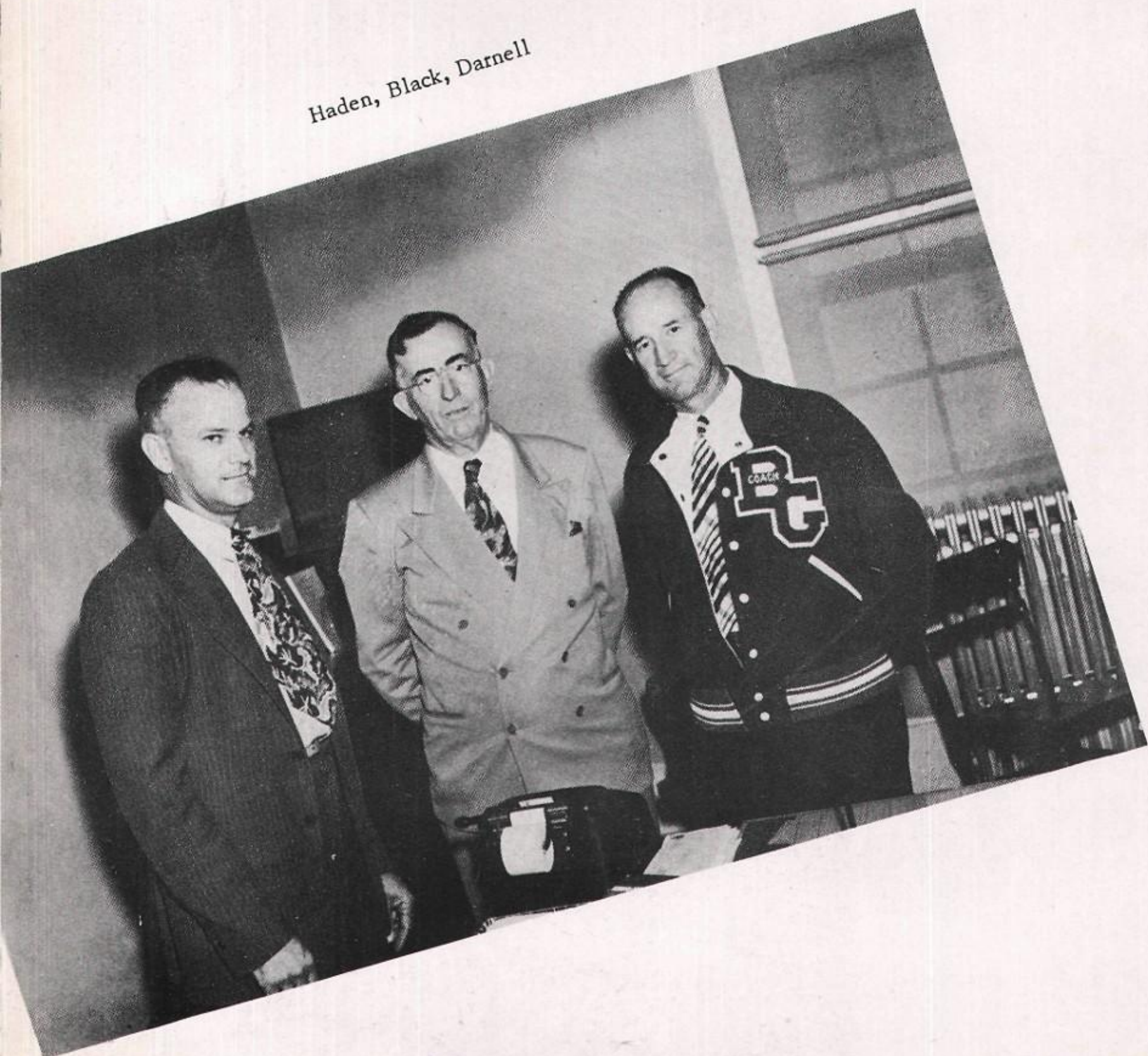


# Faculty

## Leaders

Superintendent.....J. T. BLACK  
High School Principal.....C. M. DARNELL  
Grade School Principal.....W. A. HADEN

Haden, Black, Darnell







# FACULTY

JOHN T. BLACK  
Superintendent



C. M. DARNELL  
High School Principal and  
Coach

MRS. G. E. RAMSEY, SR.  
English

D. W. SPRINGER  
Agriculture



W. P. ORME  
Veterans' Ag. Class

BEATRICE PRICE  
Spanish  
Girls' Athletic Director

MRS. BILLY GILLEN  
Commercial



OLLIE CAMPBELL  
Sixth Grade

W. A. HADEN  
Grade School Principal

MRS. HOLLIS PITTS  
Fourth Grade



MRS. CHARLES THOMPSON  
Third Grade

MRS. C. M. DARNELL  
Second Grade

MRS. LULA WESTBROOK  
First Grade





Senior

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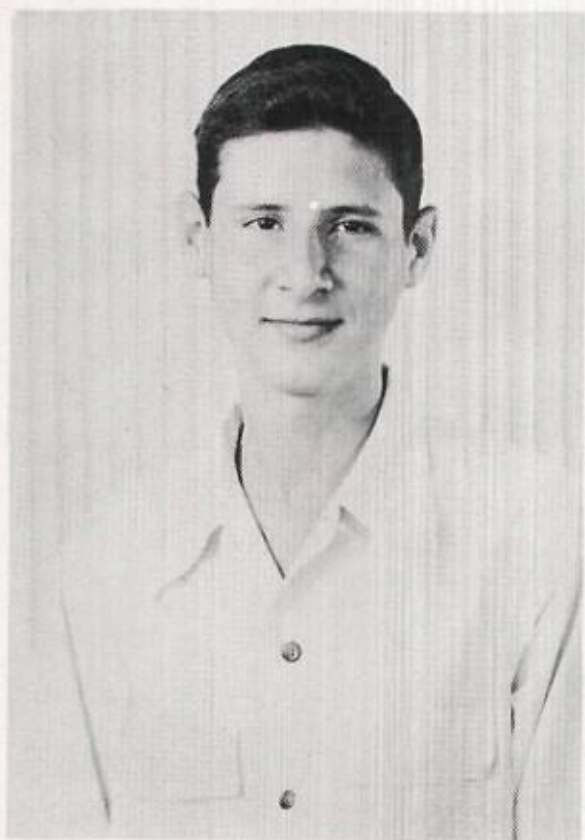
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Reporter.....BETTYE CAMPBELL

McCormick, Campbell, Farish, Garrison, Sewell





# SENIORS



Billie R. Sewell



Alan McCormick



Bettye Ann Farish



Ina Ruth Garrison



Bettye Campbell

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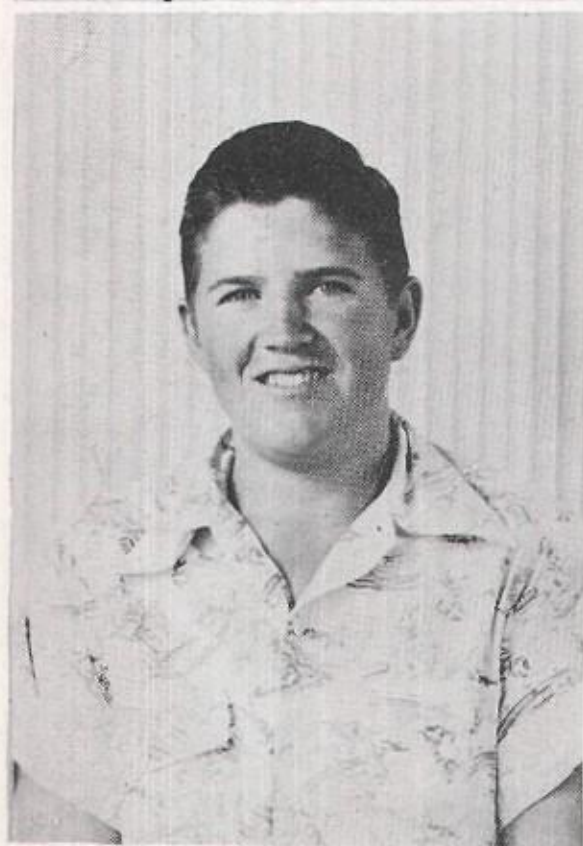
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Doris Walker



Inez Garrison



William Lynch



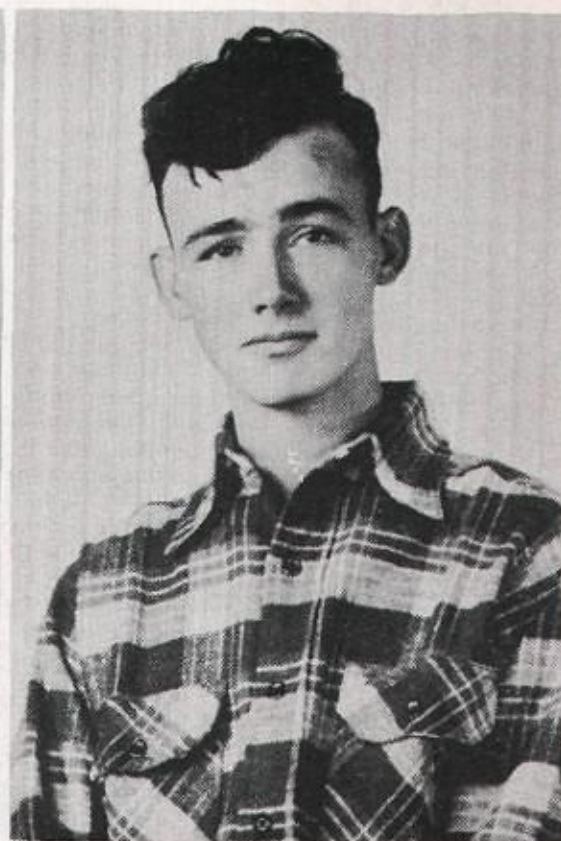




Jackie H. Farmer



Alice Fern Grounds



William Ellis



Willie Woodland



Wade Barton







Ada Phillips

Francis Thomas

Betty Frederick



Don Barham

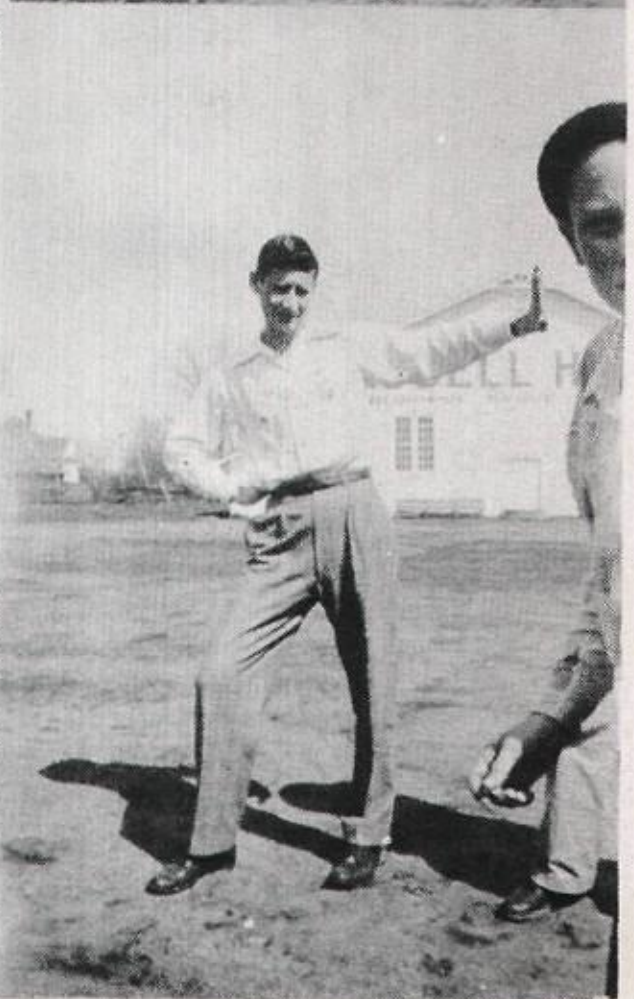


Mrs. G. E. Ramsey, Sr.  
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Vice-President.....TRUMAN RHODES  
Secretary.....PEGGY HOLLINGSWORTH  
Treasurer.....ARTALISSA ORME  
Watchdog.....TOMMIE JORDAN  
Reporter.....TED SPENCER

McGraw, Rhodes, Orme, Hollingsworth, Jordan, Spencer





# JUNIORS



Jackie McGraw



Truman Rhodes

Artalissa Orme

Peggy Hollingsworth



Ted Spencer



Tommie Jordan



Jamie Corbin

Betty Melton



Bruce Lane

Darrel Hinkle

Jean Sheppard

Wanda Rhodes







Mary Nell McGraw



Jean Tatum

Aline Prince

Bobby Dan Thomas



John Dennington

Carl Warren



# Sophomore Class Officers



President.....WAYNE EARL RICHARDS  
Vice-President.....DOROTHY JEAN HILER  
Sec.-Treas.....DONALD HOLDITCH  
Watchdog.....CHARLES GILLEN  
Reporter.....CHARLES CARROLL

Hiler, Richards, Carrol, Holditch, Gillen





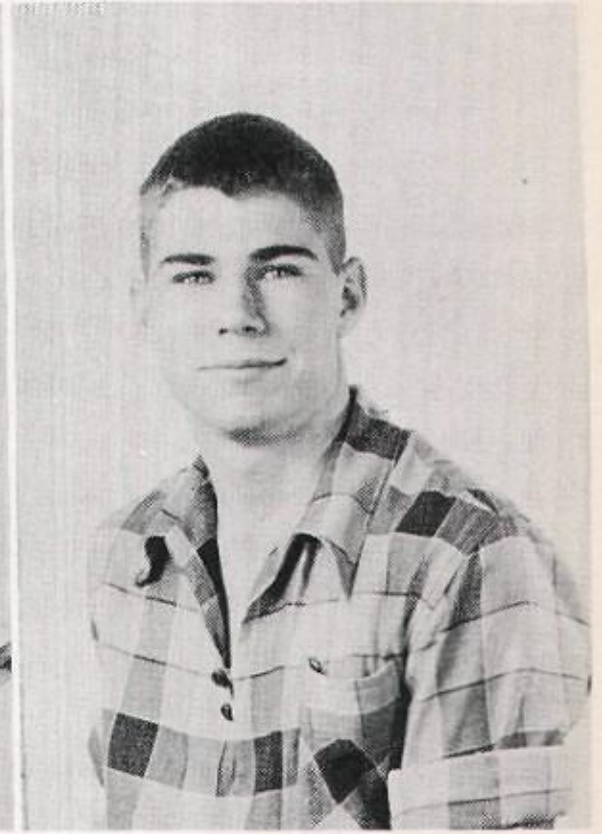
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Wayne Earl Richards



Dorothy Jean Hiler



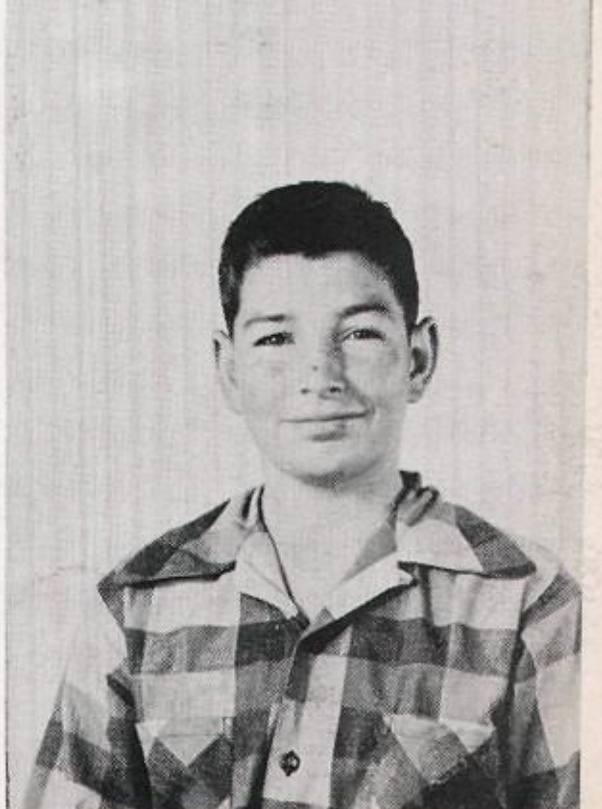
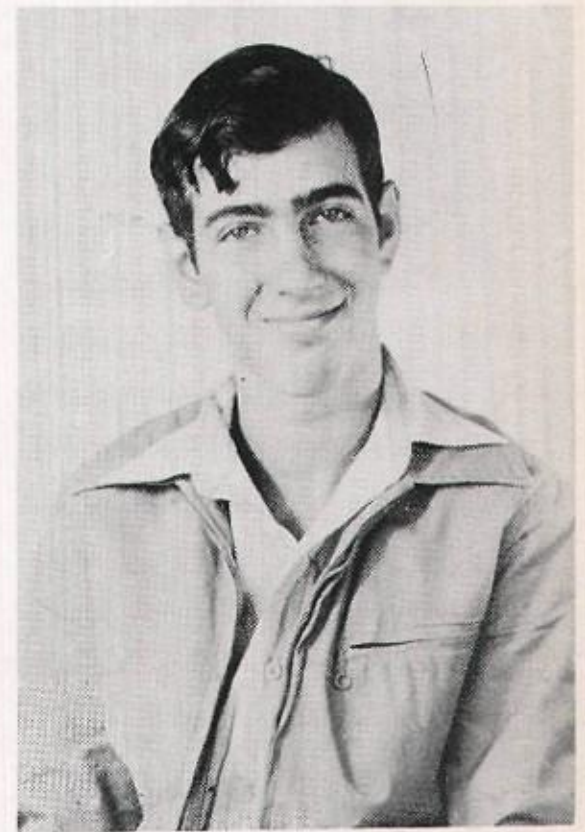
Donald Holditch

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Jo Ann Thomas

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Johnny Rhodes

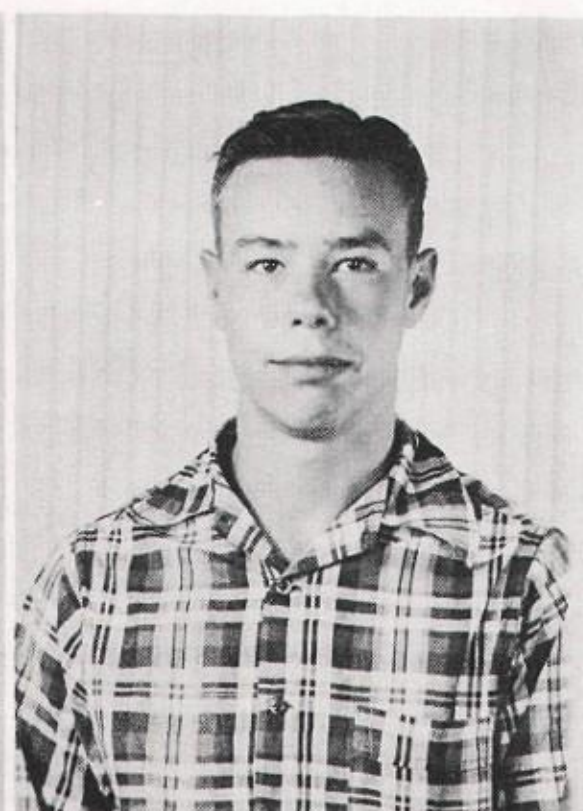


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Joe Dean Hill

Mary Ann Smith

Wilma Jean Tipping







Charles Farmer



Hue Allen Marlowe



Sammye Barham

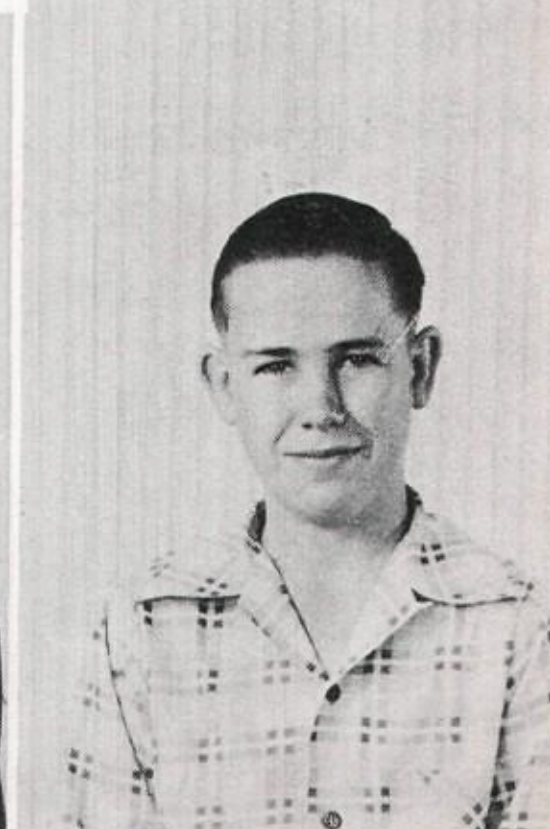
Dwayne Walker

Joyce French



Donald Easterling

Dale Thomas







Jimmy Crawford

Charles Wesley Darnell

Darlene Melton



Oleta Kitchens

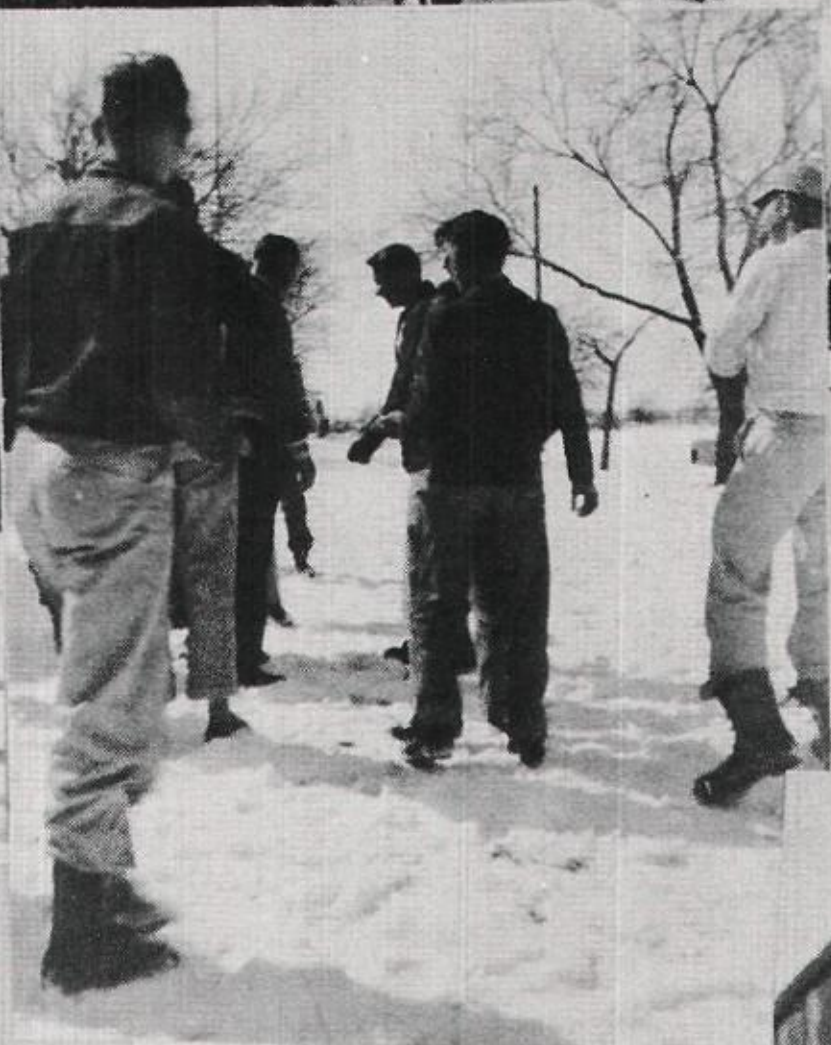
Robbie Nell Crawford

Ellis Armstrong

Curtis Cagle









# Freshman Class Officers



President.....QUILLA VAN VARNELL  
 Vice-President,.....BILLIE DEAN SCOGGINS  
 Sec.-Treas.....CLARA ANN BARHAM  
 Watchdog.....BOB MCGRAW  
 Reporter.....MARTHA MCCORMICK

Barham, Varnell, Scoggins, McGraw, McCormick





Quilla Van Varnell

Billie Dean Scoggins



Clara Ann Barham

Martha McCormick



Raymond Gantt

Lena McGraw



Elizabeth Ellis

Robert Neal



Billy Freeman

Florence Ruth Blake



Gwendolyn Barton

Jimmy Armstrong



Donald Ray Parish

Jerry Gillen



Gracie Klutts

Wyndle McGraw



# EIGHTH GRADE



Top, First row: Divaene Easterling, Jane Barham, Jerry Garrison, Natalie Dozier, Jerry Staggs  
 Second row: Jerry Jordan, Martha Orme, Justin McSpadden, Otis Perry, Barbra, Drake, Carl Barham, Gerald Morton  
 Third row: Katie Woodall, Bobby Gene French, Helen Joyce Dozier, Glynn Bolch, Jr., Wynell Gilliam, Gwindle Minze, Jewell Prince  
 Fourth row: Norman Long, Nevada Grounds, Harold Tipping, Peggy Brister, Calvin Garrison, Carolyn Hinkle, Bobby Doyle Tipping  
 Fifth row: Wanda Haden, James Lee Yates, Ellie-Lee Kitchens, Calvin Melton, Eddie Dean Vest, Marlyn Moore.



# SEVENTH GRADE



Top, First row: Jimmy Woodland, Merle Jane McSpadden, Jimmie Wade Thomas, Robert Cecil Lane

Second row: Barbra Hiler, Eddie Mahone, Tommie Trussel, James Ellis, Patsy Farmer, William Barham, Marie Minefee

Third row: Eugene Moore, Barbra Hargis, Charles Holditch, Mary Easterling, Wilroy McGraw, Winona Roden, Bill Hollingsworth

Fourth row: Robert Walker, Garland Boyd, Betty Jo Scoggins, Donnie Gillen, Mary Slater, Autry Neal Crawford, Kathryn McGraw

Fifth row: Marcus Guthrie, J. H. Gordon, Sammie Parish.



# SIXTH GRADE



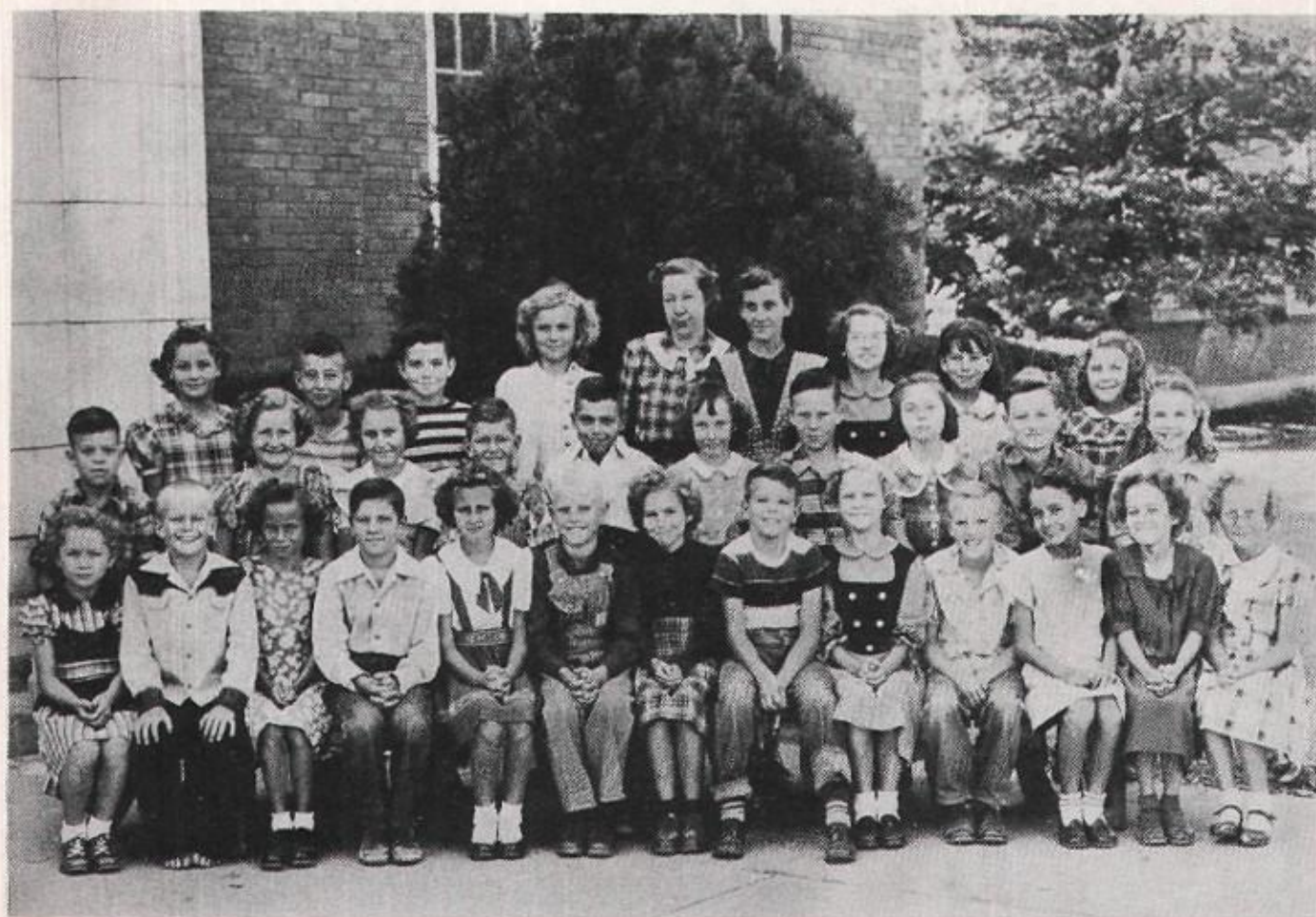
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 Second row: Bolch, Armstrong, Klutts, North, Spencer, Roberts, Barham, Dun-  
 away  
 Third row: French, Easterling, Cates, Walker, Burke, Carroll, Rosco, Merritt,  
 Haden, Montgomery, Chapman  
 Fourth row: Carroll, Holliefield, Melton, Childress, Perry, Ewing, Garner,  
 Hinkle, Jones, Carroll, Ferrell, Almond  
 Absent: Klutts, French, Parrish, Jordan.

# FIFTH GRADE



Top, First row: Gorden, Perkins, Prince, Mr. Haden-Teacher, Holditch, Ward,  
 Crawford  
 Second row: Jones, Almond, Richards, McCormick, Flovin, Thomas, McSpadden,  
 Gillen  
 Third row: Harris, Farrald, Hawkins, Hargrove, Yates, Klutts, McGraw.





# F O U R T H G R A D E

Top, First row: McGraw, Saunders, French, Cates, Mrs. Pitts-Teacher, Middleton, Daniel, Danford, Brister  
 Second row: Guthrie, Roden, Marlow, Gordon, Rhodes, Crawford, Adams, Orme, Ellis, Gillen  
 Third row: Trussel, Lewis, Minefee, Montgomery, Bryant, McGraw, Whitner, Reid, Dozier, Melton, Atchley, Waldrop, Easterling  
 Absent: Southard, McGraw, Montgomery.



# T H I R D G R A D E

Top, First row: North, Eddlemon, Mrs. Thompson-Teacher, Tipping, Middleton, Sheppard, Hiler, Carroll, Turner  
 Second row: Dunaway, Toten, Mahone, Childress, McCulloch, Lane, Sheppard, Hinkle, Walker, McGraw, McGraw, Holliefield, Greene  
 Third row: McGraw, Jordan, Barham, Daniel, Ryno, Tipping, Atchley, Fread, Wiley, Gilliam, McSpadden, Haden, Adams  
 Absent: Barton, Herring, Lambert.



# SECOND GRADE



Top, First row: Barham, Garrison, Cagle, Southard, Mrs. Darnell-Teacher, Gorden, Morton, Bell

Second row: Melton, Gillen, Hiler, Grounds, Bryant, Cobb, Fowler, Adams, Adams, Jones

Third row: Barham, Richardson, McGraw, Moore, French, Minefee, Merritt, Richardson

Absent: Richardson.

# FIRST GRADE



Top, First row: Hiler, Armstrong, Slater, McCurrin, Brumbelow, Brister, Green, Fuller, Ellis, Mrs. Westbrook-Teacher

Second row: McGraw, Montgomery, Ward, Farmer, Weathers, Gordan, Haden, Guthrie, Barham, Hinkle

Third row: McGraw, Thompson, Garrison, Dozier, Warren, Woodland, McGraw, McSpadden, Thomas, Guthrie

Abset: Montgomery, Vinson, Lamberth, Herring.



INA RUTH GARRISON

# MOST REPRESENTATIVE GIRL

"I'm All Yours In Buttons And Bows"





ALAN McCORMICK

# MOST REPRESENTATIVE BOY

"Give Me My Boots and Saddle"

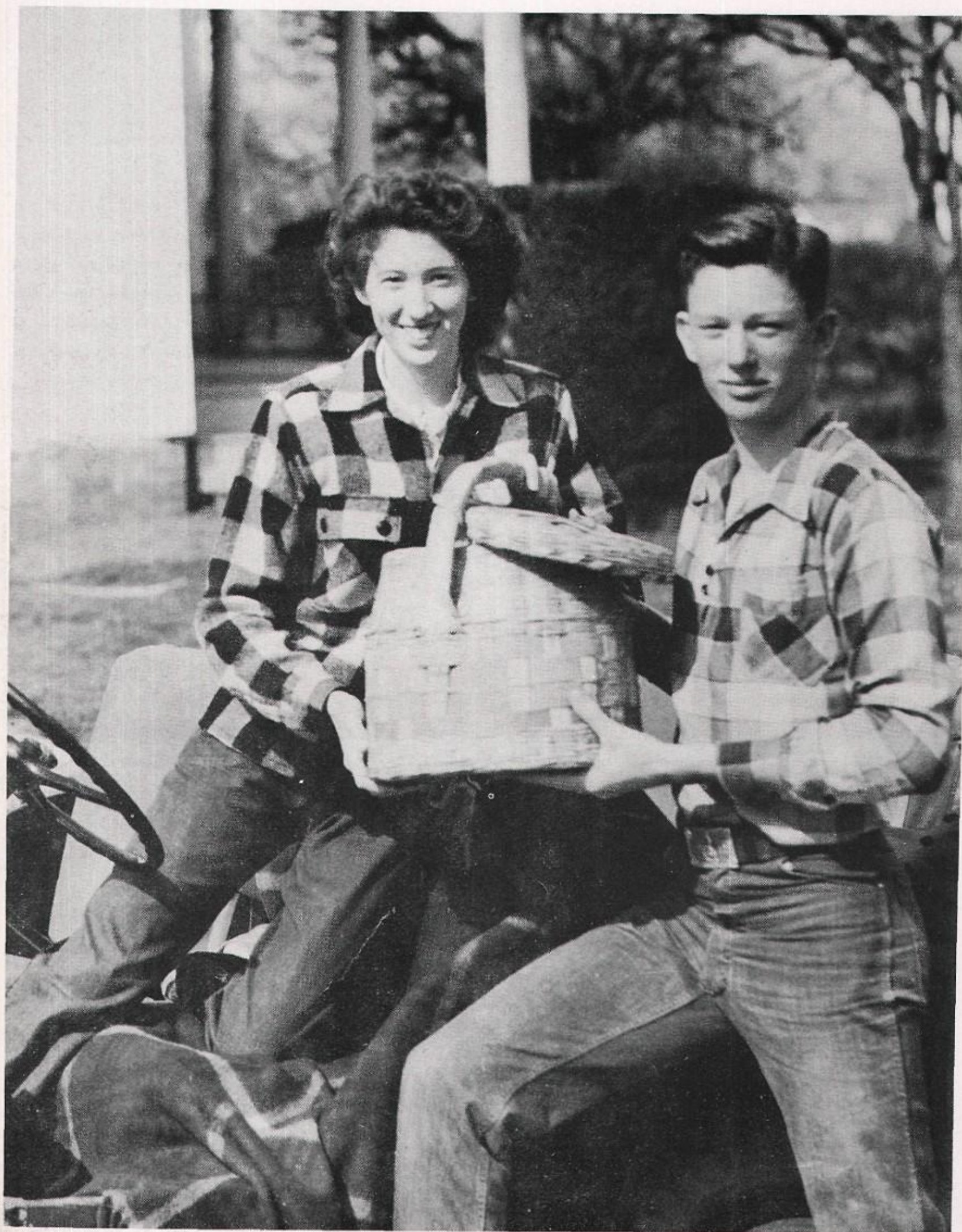




INA RUTH GARRISON  
ALAN McCORMICK

## SENIOR CLASS FAVORITES

"Take Me Out to the Ball Game"

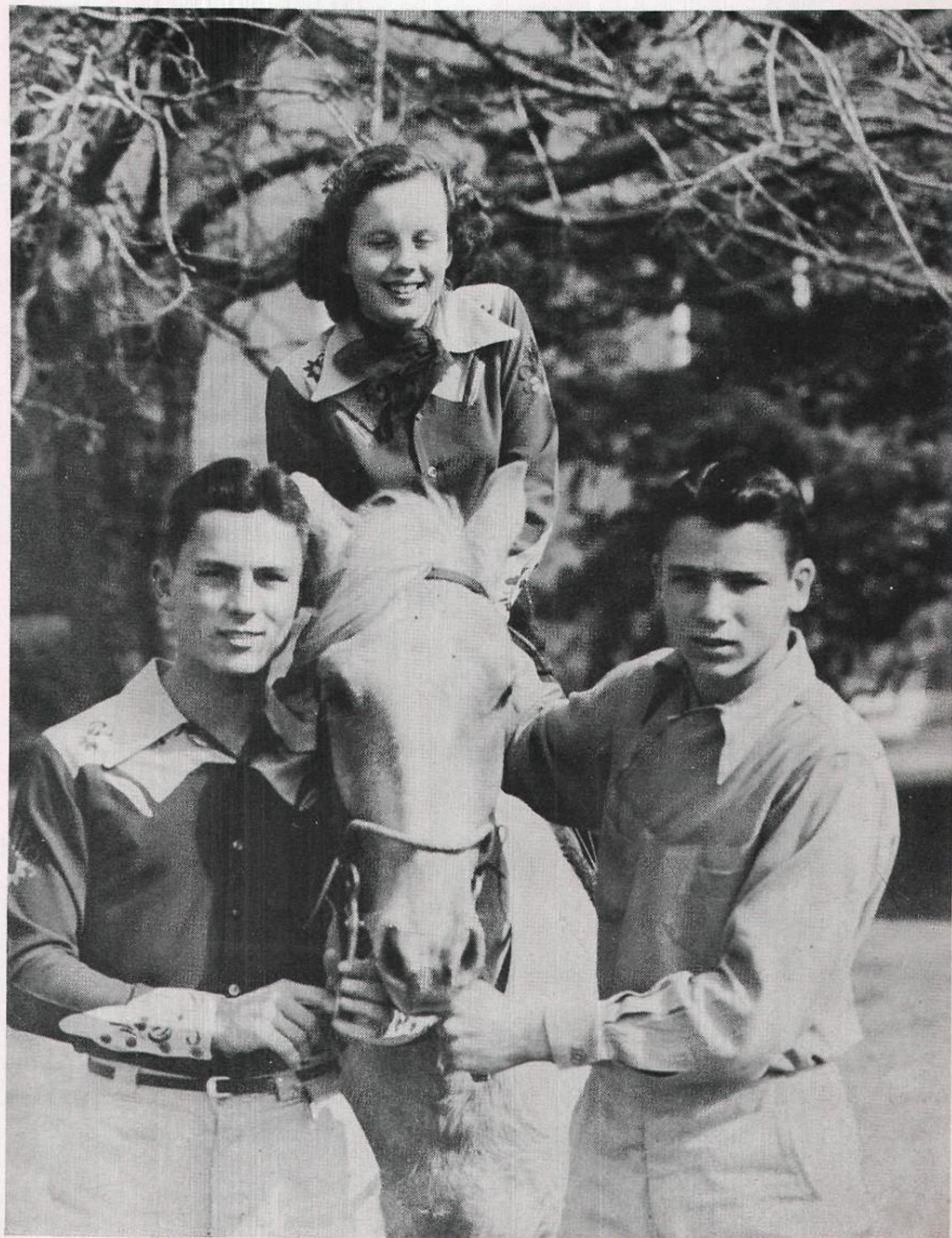




JAMIE CORBIN  
TRUMAN RHODES  
JACKIE MCGRAW

## JUNIOR CLASS FAVORITES

"Two Loves Have I"





DOROTHY JEAN HILER  
WAYNE EARL RICHARDS

## SOPHOMORE CLASS FAVORITES

"Bicycle Built for Two"





LENA MAE McGRAW  
RAYMOND GANTT

## FRESHMAN CLASS FAVORITES

"Don't Fence Me In"





PEGGY HOLLINGSWORTH

# FOOTBALL SWEETHEART

"Sweetheart, Sweetheart, Sweetheart"





INA RUTH GARRISON

# STATE WINNER

CLASS B DECLAMATION  
SPRING '48







Truman Rhodes, Football Co-Captain.... Junior class vice-president.... Basketball.... Junior class favorite.... Junior prince.... 2nd Team All-District Football.... He loves geometry.

Bettye Ann Farish, Senior class secretary.... Associate Editor of the Monarch.... F. H. A. President.... Pep squad.... Member of Senior Play Cast.... Does she long to return to Barry?

## WHO'S WHO AND WHY

Artalissa Orme, School pianist.... Editor of school news.... Junior class secretary.... One-Act Play Cast.... Pep squad flag bearer.... F. H. A. pianist.... her interest in a red scooter seems to be romantic.

Alan McCormick, Most representative boy in high school... Associate Business Manager of the Monarch..... Basketball co-captain.... Football.... Volleyball.... Tennis.... Senior class favorite.... Halloween King... Senior vice-president... Member of the Senior Play Cast.... Why does Alan enjoy Bookkeeping?







Wayne Earl Richards, Sophomore class favorite....All district B Team in football....Class Duke....Basketball.... Volleyball .... Football ..... F. F. A. Member....Believe Skeeter has improved in spelling.

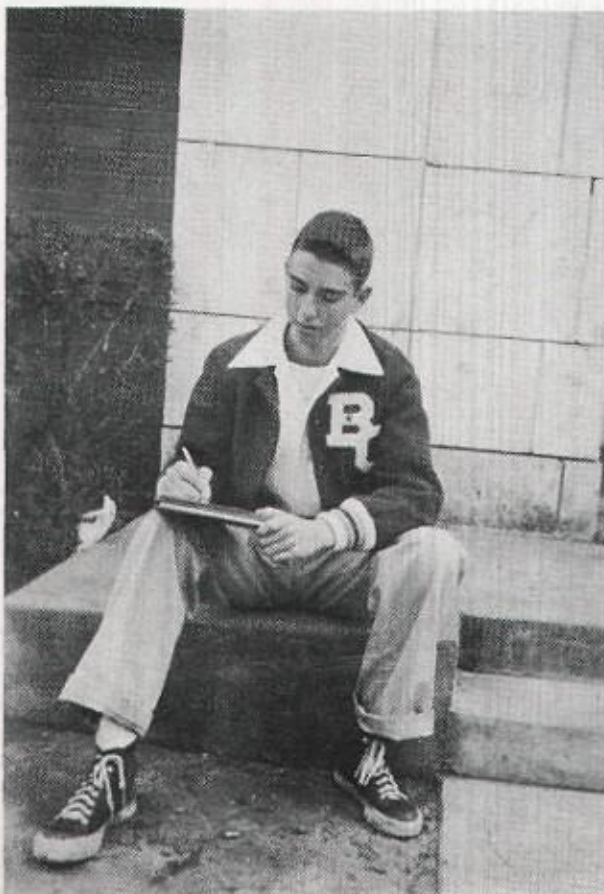


Martha McCormick, Class reporter.... Basketball....Volleyball....Pep squad F. H. A. member....She adores blue Chevrolet Trucks.

## WHO'S WHO AND WHY

Ted Spencer, Art editor of the Monarch....Junior class reporter....Manager of the One-Act Play....Football Basketball....Volleyball....One Act Play '48...he gives lessons in love.

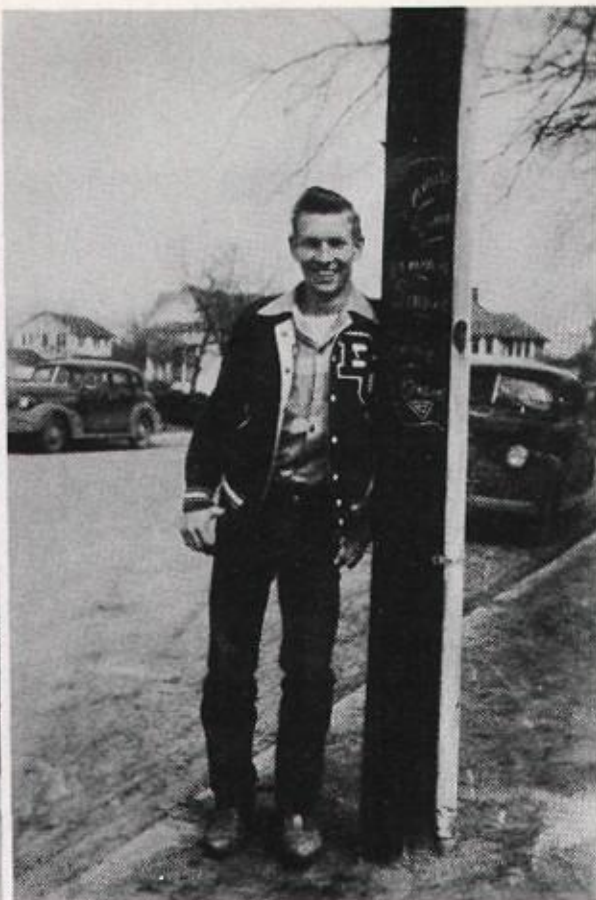
Inez Garrison, Librarian....Pep squad Monarch Photographer....Member of the Senior Play Cast....Is she going to make acting her Profession?







Mildred Curry, Pep leader....Feature Editor....F. H. A. Club....What's Mildred's interest at Kress?



Tommie Jordan, Co-captain in football and basketball....Member of all district basketball and football teams Volleyball....Tennis....Junior class watchdog....The chalk artist.

## WHO'S WHO AND WHY

Dorothy Jean Hiler, Basketball co-captain....F. F. A. Sweetheart....Sophomore class vice-president....Class favorite....Volleyball....Pep squad....Does Dot deliver groceries?



Jackie Ray McGraw, Junior class president....Football....Basketball... Volleyball....President of F. F. A. Member of One Act Play....Junior class favorite....He may not catch a girl, but he can sure catch a calf.







Charles Drew Gillen, Football.... Basketball .... Volleyball .... Sophomore class watchdog....Secretary of F. F. A. .... Luckily he can drive a jeep.



Jamie Corbin, Pep leader....Best region actress in One Act Play.... Basketball....Junior class favorite.... Member of One Act Play Cast '48-'49....Is grocery business Jamie's profession?

## WHO'S WHO AND WHY

Doris Walker, Basketball....Volleyball....Pep squad....Monarch Staff... Doris enjoy Kitchen work?

Billie Sewell, Class editor of the Monarch....President of the Senior Class....Member of the Senior Play Cast....Stage Manager of the One Act Play....F. A. F. member....to referee a dog fight is his hobby.







Adrelyn Westbrook, Basketball co-captain....All district girls basketball team....Volleyball....Tennis....Drum Major....One Act Play Cast....F. H. A. song leader....She sure loves to ride Joe Bert's scooter.



Joe Bert Sissom, Business Manager of the Monarch....Best actor in region One Act Play....Football....Basketball....Member of One Act Play Cast '48-'49....F. F. A. Club Member of the Senior Play Cast....It seems he has an interest in the junior class.

## WHO'S WHO AND WHY

Ina Ruth Garrison, Most representative girl in high school....State Champion in declamation....Editor of Monarch....Pep leader....Class favorite....Senior class treasurer....One Act Play '48-'49....Basketball Volleyball....Member of Senior Play Cast....Will Ina Ruth have to take her final exams?



Jack, School Mascot....Honorably discharged from the army.





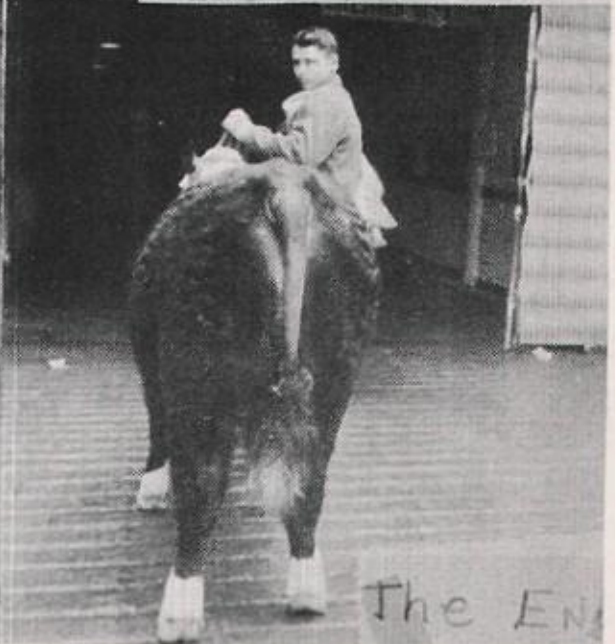
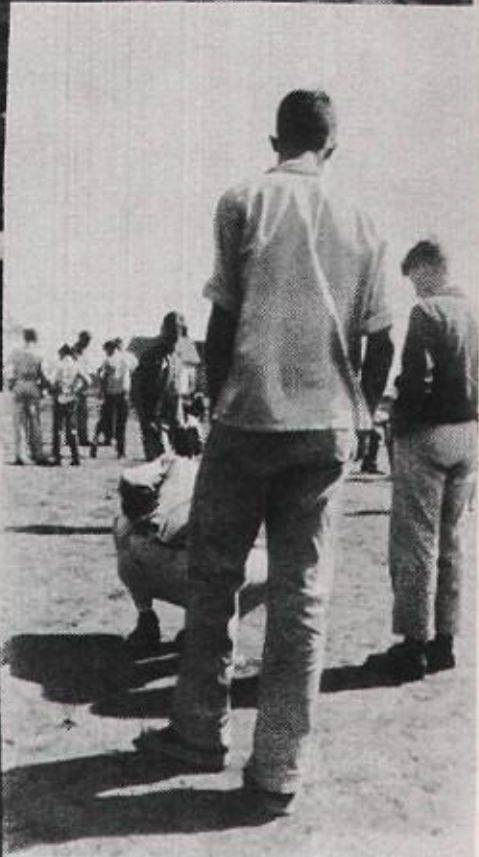
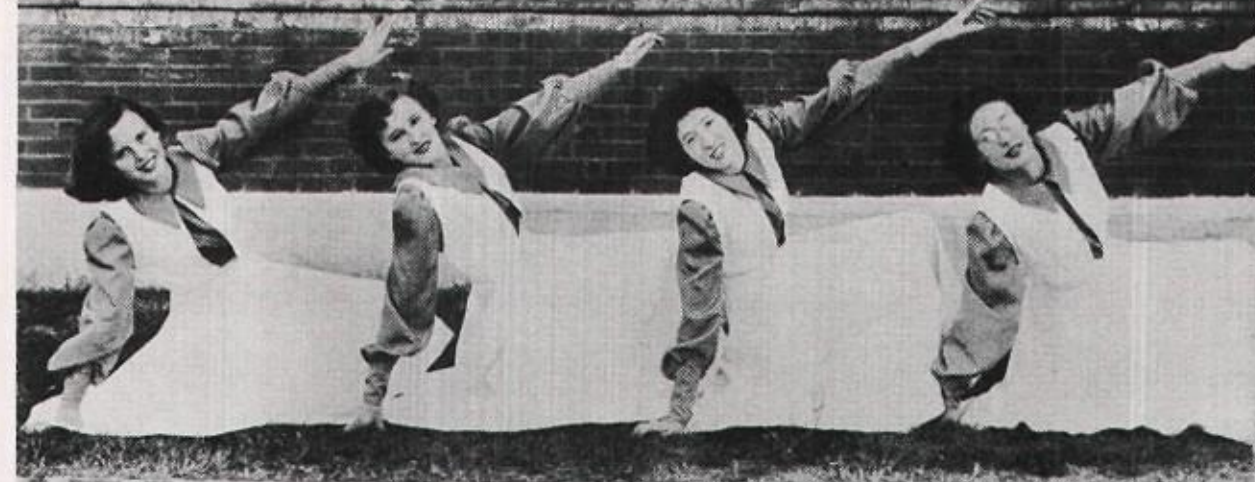
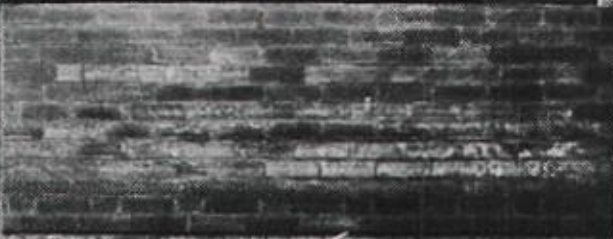
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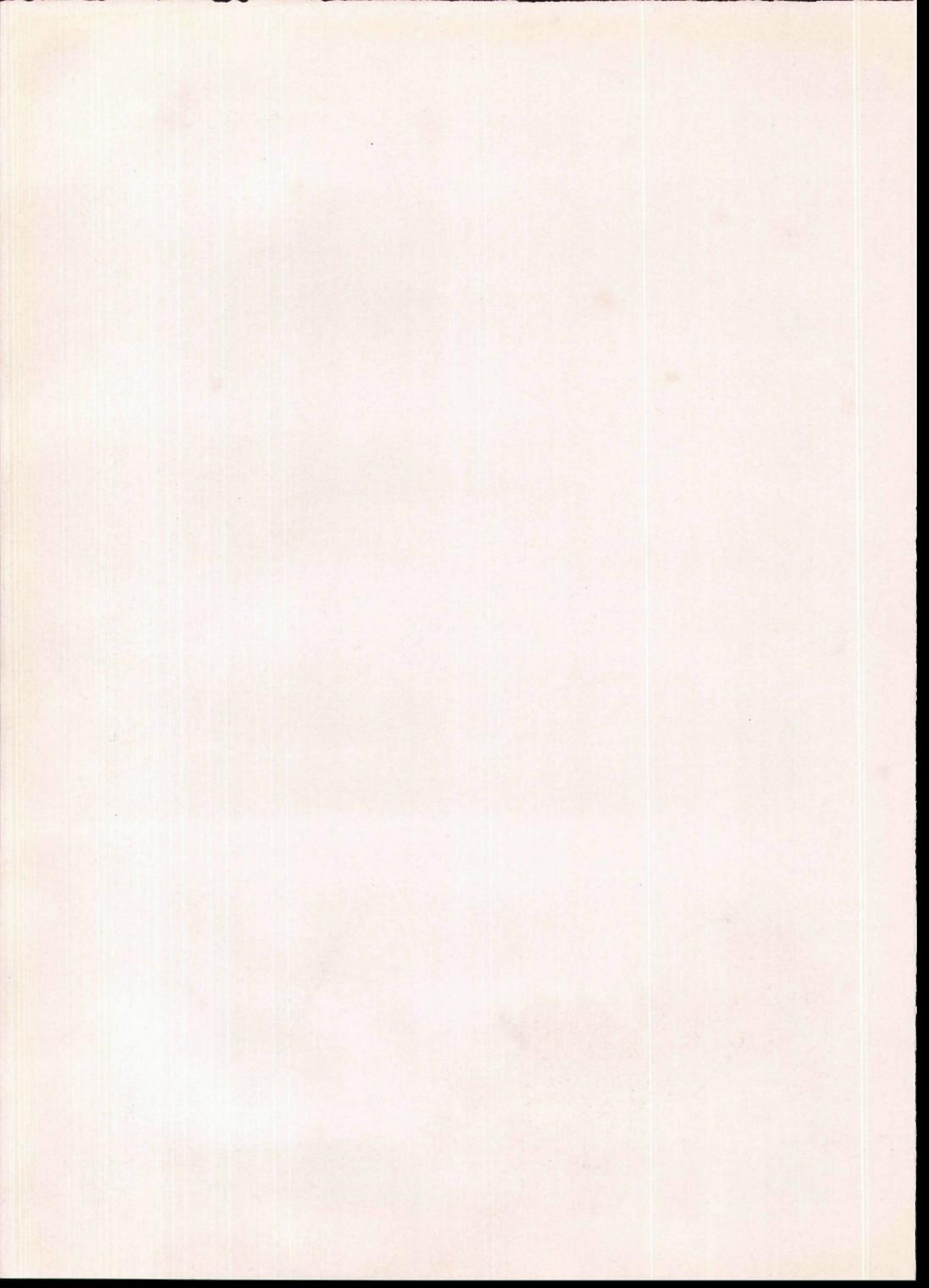
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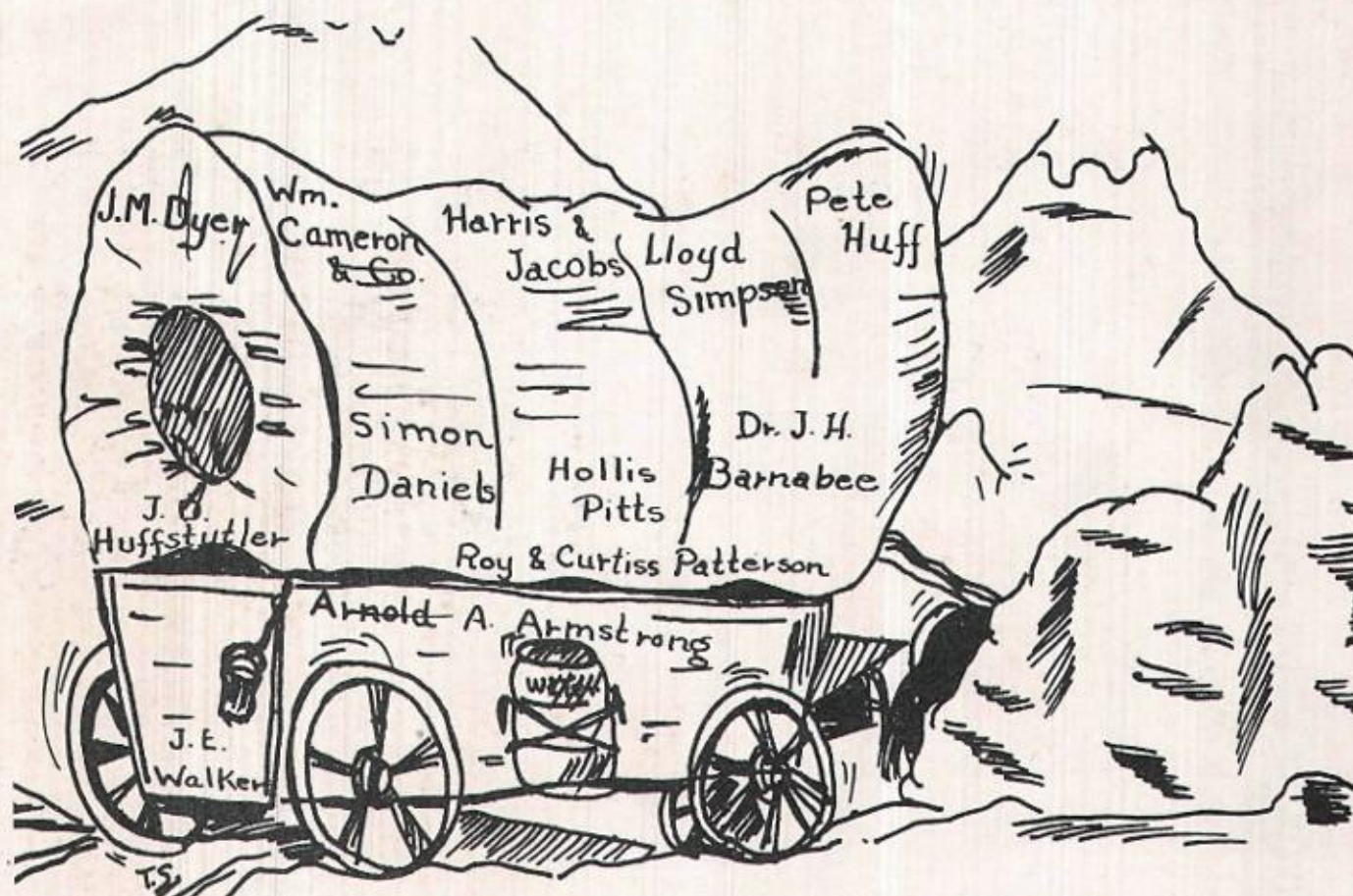
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